

there were no start ups of large vessels in 2000. The majority of startups were smaller vessels. Owners of large and medium vessels owned them significantly longer than owners of smaller vessels ( $F_{(2,242)} = 5.184$ ,  $p = 0.006$ ).

Many fishing businesses use a share system to pay their crews. Vessels with at least two crewmembers used a share system 71% of the time. All vessels that used a share system and bought bait for the trip deducted the cost of the bait before calculating shares. The costs associated with groceries and fuel/oil were deducted by 95% of the vessel owners prior to calculating shares. Of those who used ice, 80% deducted the cost of the ice prior to calculating shares.



*Targeted species and gear combinations.* Fishermen were asked specifically about their use of crab pots, trawls, long haul seines, pound nets, and gill nets. They also provided information about gears other than those listed that they used in their fishing business. Comments were sought on certain gears and species combinations. Table 4 shows a list of the gears used by Core Sound fishermen, the percentage of total fishing income derived from using that gear, and the species they targeted with the gear.

Not all fishermen in Core Sound used one of these primary gears. Additionally, many fishermen used gears that were not specifically mentioned in the survey. All fishermen were given an opportunity to name gears other than those specifically mentioned on the survey. Table 5 shows the other gears used and their frequency of use by all Core Sound commercial fishermen. Table 6 shows the species that were targeted using these other gears. Due to the nature of the questionnaire, it is not possible to match these other species to the specific gears.